

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 980

By Burks

A RESOLUTION recognizing the beauty and cultural heritage of the Cumberland Plateau region.

WHEREAS, Tennessee's Cumberland Plateau corridor, stretching from this State's northern borders to its southern borders, is recognized for its distinctive geology, its wealth of scenic beauty, its great diversity of natural habitats, and its cultural heritage; and

WHEREAS, the region's outstanding scenic, recreational, and educational resources, its rich historic fabric, and its living cultural traditions represent valuable tourism assets which can, with proper stewardship, development, and management, contribute significantly to local economic development and quality of life in every county of the region; and

WHEREAS, neglect and lack of appreciation of these tourism assets can severely impair their economic potential and greatly diminish the quality of life for corridor residents; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this resolution is to increase public awareness, visitation, and appreciation of the Cumberland Plateau, but refrains from imposing any regulatory requirement; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that the Cumberland Plateau corridor is recognized for its scenic beauty, its recreational opportunities, and its cultural heritage, all which make the corridor an area which more people from Tennessee and elsewhere might like to visit and enjoy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.